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§ 960.509 Special rent requirements and other terms and conditions.

The HA shall lease units to Officers under a lease agreement that is consistent with the requirements of this section and 24 CFR part 966. The requirements of this section shall take precedence if there is any inconsistency between them and 24 CFR part 966.

(a) Reasonable rent. The lease shall provide for a reasonable rent, which may be a flat amount not related to the Officer's income. The HA should attempt to establish a rent that will provide an incentive to Officers to reside in the units but that is also consistent with the limited loss of income requirement of §960.507(a)(4)(ii) of this part. As required in §960.507(a)(1) of this part, the plan must state facts and circumstances (such as, the rent that would ordinarily be charged for the unit, the HA's annual maintenance cost for the unit, the degree of difficulty in attracting Officers to reside in the unit, the extent of the crime problem in the development, and the anticipated benefits of the Officer's presence) that demonstrate the reasonableness of the rent amount.

(b) Continued employment. The lease shall provide that the Officer's right of occupancy is dependent on the continuation of the employment that qualified the Officer for residency in the development under the plan. The lease also shall provide that the Officer will move out of the leased unit within a reasonably prompt time, to be established by the lease, after termination of employment.

§ 960.511 Applicability of the annual contributions contract; effect on the Performance Funding System.

(a) Annual contributions contract. Except to the extent that eligibility requirements are exempted under §960.505 of this part, public housing units occupied by Officers in accordance with a plan submitted and approved under this subpart will be subject to the terms and conditions of the annual contributions contract (ACC) between the HA and the United States of America. This subpart does not override any of the terms and conditions of the ACC except insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this subpart.

(b) Performance funding system. For purposes of the operating subsidy under the Performance Funding System (PFS) described in part 990, subpart A of this chapter, dwelling units allocated to Officers in accordance with this subpart are excluded from the total unit months available, as defined in §990.102 of this chapter. Also for purposes of the operating subsidy under the PFS, the full amount of any rent paid by Officers in accordance with this subpart is included in other income, as defined in §990.102 of this chapter. HAs may receive operating subsidy

for one unit per housing development to promote economic self-sufficiency services or anti-drug programs, including housing police officers and security personnel. An HA may request consideration of such units in its calculation of operating subsidy eligibility through the appropriate local HUD Office.

Subpart F—When Resident Must Perform Community Service Activities or Self-Sufficiency Work Activities

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§ 960.600 Implementation.

PHAs and residents must comply with the requirements of this subpart beginning with PHA fiscal years that commence on or after October 1, 2000. Unless otherwise provided by §903.11 of this chapter, Annual Plans submitted for those fiscal years are required to contain information regarding the PHA's compliance with the community service requirement, as described in §903.7 of this chapter.

§ 960.601 Definitions.

- (a) Definitions found elsewhere.
- (1) *General definitions.* The following terms are defined in part 5, subpart A of this title: *public housing, public housing agency* (PHA).
- (2) Definitions concerning income and rent. The following terms are defined in part 5, subpart F of this title: economic self-sufficiency program, work activities.

(b) Other definitions. In addition to the definitions in paragraph (a) of this section, the following definitions apply:

Community service. The performance of voluntary work or duties that are a public benefit, and that serve to improve the quality of life, enhance resident self-sufficiency, or increase resident self-responsibility in the community. Community service is not employment and may not include political activities.

- Exempt individual. An adult who:
- (1) Is 62 years or older;
- (2) (i) Is a blind or disabled individual, as defined under 216(i)(1) or 1614 of the

Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 416(i)(1); 1382c), and who certifies that because of this disability she or he is unable to comply with the service provisions of this subpart, or

- (ii) Is a primary caretaker of such individual;
 - (3) Is engaged in work activities;
- (4) Meets the requirements for being exempted from having to engage in a work activity under the State program funded under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) or under any other welfare program of the State in which the PHA is located, including a State-administered welfare-to-work program; or
- (5) Is a member of a family receiving assistance, benefits or services under a State program funded under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) or under any other welfare program of the State in which the PHA is located, including a State-administered welfare-to-work program, and has not been found by the State or other administering entity to be in noncompliance with such a program.

Service requirement. The obligation of each adult resident, other than an exempt individual, to perform community service or participate in an economic-self sufficiency program required in accordance with § 960.603.

§ 960.603 General requirements.

- (a) Service requirement. Except for any family member who is an exempt individual, each adult resident of public housing must:
- (1) Contribute 8 hours per month of community service (not including political activities); or
- (2) Participate in an economic selfsufficiency program for 8 hours per month; or
- (3) Perform 8 hours per month of combined activities as described in paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section.
- (b) Family violation of service requirement. The lease shall specify that it shall be renewed automatically for all purposes, unless the family fails to comply with the service requirement. Violation of the service requirement is grounds for nonrenewal of the lease at the end of the twelve month lease term, but not for termination of ten-

ancy during the course of the twelve month lease term (see §966.4(l)(2)(i) of this chapter).

§ 960.605 How PHA administers service requirements.

- (a) *PHA policy.* Each PHA must develop a local policy for administration of the community service and economic self-sufficiency requirements for public housing residents.
- (b) Administration of qualifying community service or self-sufficiency activities for residents. The PHA may administer qualifying community service or economic self-sufficiency activities directly, or may make such activities available through a contractor, or through partnerships with qualified organizations, including resident organizations, and community agencies or institutions.
- (c) PHA responsibilities. (1) The PHA policy must describe how the PHA determines which family members are subject to or exempt from the service requirement, and the process for determining any changes to exempt or non-exempt status of family members.
- (2) The PHA must give the family a written description of the service requirement, and of the process for claiming status as an exempt person and for PHA verification of such status. The PHA must also notify the family of its determination identifying the family members who are subject to the service requirement, and the family members who are exempt persons.
- (3) The PHA must review family compliance with service requirements, and must verify such compliance annually at least thirty days before the end of the twelve month lease term. If qualifying activities are administered by an organization other than the PHA, the PHA shall obtain verification of family compliance from such third parties.
- (4) The PHA must retain reasonable documentation of service requirement performance or exemption in participant files.
- (5) The PHA must comply with nondiscrimination and equal opportunity requirements listed at §5.105(a) of this title.